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## BROOKLYN SENIOR “CHIT CHAT”

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November & December 2015

**Brooklyn Senior Center  
Christmas Luncheon/Dance  
Thursday, December 10, 2015  
Cost: \$10.00**

Music provided by : Wayne Tomsic  
11:30 a.m. Luncheon Served  
1:00 p.m. Dancing begins  
Menu: Oven Baked Turkey Breast with  
Stuffing/Whipped Potatoes/Cranberry  
Salad/ Mixed Vegetable/ Roll and  
Holiday Dessert  
*Last day to purchase tickets December 4, 2015*



**Brooklyn Senior Center**  
7727 Memphis Avenue  
Brooklyn, Ohio 44144  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm  
(216) 635-4222  
**Brooklyn City Hall**  
**Mayor Richard H. Balbier**  
(216) 351-2133

**Exercise your Right to Vote**  
Election Day: Tuesday, November 3, 2015  
Polls open up at 6:30a.m  
Close at: 7:30 p.m.

**Christmas Celebration**  
Come listen to beautiful music to  
celebrate the Christmas Season.  
Held at the Brooklyn Senior Center.  
Saturday, December 19, 2015  
Time: 7:00  
Refreshments Served!



**ATTENTION!**  
**The Senior Center will be closed on the  
following days:**  
Wednesday, Nov. 11- Veterans' Day  
Thursday, Nov. 26 & Friday, Nov. 27-  
Thanksgiving Holiday  
Friday, December 25-Christmas Day  
Friday, January 1st—New Years Day 2016

**Home Energy Assistance Program 2016**  
H.E.A.P. offers a one time credit on your utility  
bill during the winter. Individuals with income  
less than \$20,597.50  
annually will qualify. Some individuals may also  
qualify for the percentage of income payment  
plan (PIPP) which is offered year round and  
bases monthly utility payments on your income.  
HEAP applications are accepted July 1, 2015  
through June 30, 2016 . Stop by the Brooklyn  
Senior Center front desk to pick up your appli-  
cation.

**“FALL BACK”**  
Daylight Savings Time ends  
on Sunday, November 1st  
Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 Hour  
on Saturday night before bed - Oct. 31st.

**Friday Movie & Lunch  
January 29, 2016  
Cost \$5.00  
Menu: Pizza, Salad, Dessert  
Movie: “ McFarland U.S.A.”  
Starring: Kevin Costner  
Last day to buy tickets January 22, 2016  
Lunch: 12:00 Movie Starts: 1:00**

Christmas Blessings  
Merry Christmas from all of us at the Brooklyn Senior Center and  
May you have a Happy  
and Healthy New Year 2016



Daytime Programs

Daytime Exercise & Line Dancing

Exercise with Sandy

Tuesday & Thursday Time 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Tai Chi Class by Rose Verdino

Monday Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Line Dancing by Alice

Friday Time: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Classes held at the Brooklyn Senior Center

Monday & Wednesday Evening

Time: 6:00–7:00

Aerobics Open to Adults

Tuesday & Thursday Evening

Time: 7:00–8:00

Zumba Classes

Post Office-on-Wheels

Post Office services available at the Senior Center:

- Purchase postage stamps and money orders.
  - Purchase packaging supplies.
  - Mail letters and packages using first class, priority, express & standard mail.
  - Certified, insured & registered mail
- 11:40 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for any of the above services.

Next visit: Thursday,

November 5th .& December 3rd.

“Get Well Wishes”

Are sent to those who have been hospitalized or ill during the previous months: Betty Konopka, Dee Rosati, Dee Marzola, and Tony & Elaine Bellasario & Judy Ridilla



Programs - Evening

Evening Ceramics

Evening Ceramics on Wednesday’s at 6:00 p.m. will resume in January 2016

This program is open to all adults.

Volunteer Appreciation

The Brooklyn Senior Center thanks all who have so graciously volunteered their time and effort to make this Senior Center so successful. The total volunteer hours for September & October were 625 hours. Please remember to sign the volunteer book, as this is the only way to keep track of your hours.

BUS TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULE

Mon., Tues. & Fri. - Medical Appointments

Tues. - Medical appointments, Soup & Sandwich, Bingo at the Senior Center

Wed. - Shopping and Medical appointments in Brooklyn Only

9:30 a.m. - Giant Eagle

11:00 a.m.- Marcs & Giant Eagle

Thurs - Shopping and Medical appointments (Brooklyn only ) Lunch at the Center

9:30 a.m.-Ridge Park Square & Biddulph Plaza

10:00 a.m.-Pick-up for lunch at the Senior Center

11:00 a.m. - Marcs & Biddulph Plaza & Medical appointment (Brooklyn Only)

Fri.—Medicals, hair appointments, banking, Shopping: Wal-Mart

Bus runs from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Donation \$1.00 each way

Absolutely No Tipping

Call the Brooklyn Senior Center to schedule your appointments: 635-4222 .

THURSDAY LUNCHEONS

Every Thursday lunch is served at the Brooklyn Senior Community Center at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$6.00. Tickets must be purchased no later than the Friday before the luncheon date. No takeouts are allowed before 12:30 p.m. Please let us know if you need a takeout prior to the luncheon. No refunds.

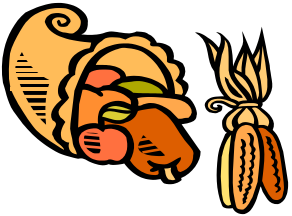
Menus for November

November 5—Stuffed Shells, Italian Sausage, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Garlic Toast, Choc. Eclair

November 12–Beef Tips over Noodles, Buttered Carrots, Roll, Fruit Cup, 2 Cookies

November 19 –Pulled Pork Hash Brown Casserole, Cole Slaw, Applesauce, Jell-o Cake

November 26  
Happy Thanksgiving  
Senior Center  
Closed



Tuesday's Soup & Sandwich Cost: \$3.50  
All lunch tickets must be purchased in advance!

November Soup & Sandwich

November 3– Chicken Noodle Soup / 1/2 Ham Sandwich

November 10 - Hot Dog & Macaroni Salad

November 17– Vegetable Beef Barley Soup & 1/2 Bologna Sandwich

November 24 – Turkey Wrap & Fruit Cup

Menus For December

December 3— No lunch Kari on Vacation

December 10 —Christmas Dance  
Oven Baked Turkey Breast with Stuffing, Whipped Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Roll,. Holiday Dessert

December 17– Happy Birthday Everyone!  
Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Broccoli, Fruited Jell-O, Rye Bread, Cake & Ice Cream

December 24- Christmas Eve. No lunch

December 31– New Years Eve. No lunch

Merry Christmas  
&  
Happy New Year 2016



December Soup & Sandwich

December 1 –No lunch Kari on Vacation

December 8–Broccoli Cheddar Soup & Bisquit

December 15 – Sub Sandwich and Chips

December 22 - Tomato Soup and Grilled Cheese

December 29 –Pizza & Salad

NOTES

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT

Dates: October 15, 2015  
to December 7, 2015

Sign up to see a volunteer from  
Ohio State Department Of Insurance  
(OSHIP).

Check if your plan is right for you every year.

Studies show that many Medicare patients spend hundreds of dollars (even thousands) more than they should because they keep the same Medicare insurance plans year after year. Insurance companies drop plans, year after year. Insurance companies drop plans, alter prescription drug payments, and change physician networks. OSHIP volunteers work with seniors for free to help them understand the information on the Medicare.gov website.

To make the best decisions, bring in your:

- Medicare correspondence
- Medicare card
- Prescription drug information

We will have appointments starting on Tuesday, October 27 and November 3, 2015

Time: 12:00-3:00 at the Senior Center

Call Senior Ctr. for appt. 216- 635-4222

Thanksgiving Food Drive

We are asking for donations of non-perishable foods for the Thanksgiving Food Drive. We will be collecting these items and making holiday baskets for families in need. Any donation would be grateful.

Last day of collection is:

Friday, November 20, 2015.

Please make sure donations are related to a Thanksgiving dinner. Some suggestions for dinner would be: stuffing mix, sweet potatoes, cranberries, potatoes, corn, pumpkin pie. These are only a few suggestions. Check the date on your cans to make sure they are not expired dates.

Thank You ahead of time for your generosity  
and have a  
Happy Thanksgiving!

Screening and Speakers

One Call For Seniors

Thursday, November 5, 2015

Time: 12:00

Common problems for Senior  
solved locally with ONE CALL.

Speaker: Pete

Sponsored & Cookies provided  
by Zounds Hearing

UNDERSTANDING SIDE  
EFFECTS OF MEDICATION

Thursday, November 12, 2015

Time: 12:00

Speaker: Tom Strong

AETNA HEALTH

Thursday, November 19, 2015

Time: 12:00

Speaker: Seth Stein

HOME SAFETY

Seniors Helping Senior

Thursday, January 7, 2015

Time: 12:00

Speaker: Debbie Bailey

Health and Welfare Programs & Meetings

The Brooklyn paramedics will be available at the Brooklyn Senior Center for blood pressure readings the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Emergency calls take precedence!

Greenbrier Senior Community will be available the Second Tuesday of the month for Blood Pressure reading. Starting on November 10th

Time: 10:00–12:00

Free Hearing Test

L.A. Christner, Inc. hearing test schedule is as follows: Tuesday, November 10 & December 8, 2015. Appointments are: 10:00 to 12:00 a.m. They offer a free hearing test, and for a small fee, take care of all your hearing aid needs: cleaning, repairs, adjusting and batteries.

Call to make your appointment at:  
(216) 635-4222.

In case of emergency and in need of groceries you may call the center. We can help shop for your basic grocery (bread, milk eggs etc.) and pick up your Medication. Remember the bus service is also available.



“Condolences”

Our Sympathy goes out to all who have lost a loved one in the past months: Grace Pallazo and Jean Hartman

May They Rest in Peace!

Information

Homestead Exemption Application for Senior  
Citizens, Disabled Persons & Surviving  
Spouses

Homestead exemption provides a reduction in property taxes to those who qualify on the principle dwelling that is the individual’s principle place of residence and up to one acre of land. File with the County Auditor after the first Monday in January and on or before the first Monday in June. Applications are available at the Senior Center.

Winter Storm Ready

Make sure you have:

- Rock salt or a product to melt away the ice on the walkways
- Sand to improve traction
- Snow shovels & other snow removal equipment

Listen to the radio or other local news stations for critical information on alerts

Minimize travel.

During the storm...

- Stay indoors
- Walk carefully on snowy, icy walkways
- Avoid overexertion when shoveling snow.
- Keep dry
- Watch for signs of hypothermia-stay hydrated, nourished & keep your blood flowing by moving around.

HOMEBOUND MEALS PROGRAM

For Brooklyn Senior residents who are home-bound or at home recovering, the Senior Center offers a meal delivery program.

- The meals are prepared by UH Parma Hospital at a cost of \$7 per day.
- The meals consist of lunch & dinner.
- Meals are coordinated with your recommended diet from your physician.

Please call the Brooklyn Senior Center if you are interested or have questions at (216) 635-4222. Ask to speak with Karen or Rita.